

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 2143 - HB 2209**

January 25, 2004

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Imposes an additional fee of \$10.00 upon each misdemeanor drug offense and an additional fee of \$100.00 upon each felony drug offense. These fees will be collected by the clerks of the court and the funds will be transferred to the state and will be earmarked for the operation of the Offices of the District Attorneys General in counties with high caseloads for the prosecution of methamphetamine cases.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Revenues - \$543,800/Earmarked**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$5,000**

**Increase Local Govt. Revenues - \$36,200**

Estimate assumes:

- 20,000 misdemeanor drug offenders will be assessed a fee of \$10.00, with 90% of the fees collected.
- 5,000 felony drug offenders will be assessed a fee of \$100.00 and 80% of the fees will be collected.
- funds collected will be distributed by the District Attorneys General Conference for the investigation and prosecution of methamphetamine cases.
- court clerks will retain a commission on each fee collected.
- additional state costs required to perform annual special audit.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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